

Every Square Inch: Pressure Ulcer Prevention Training

The Silent Killer

Did you know that 2.1 million people will suffer from pressure ulcers this year and 60,000 will die from pressure ulcer complications?

In October, 2008, health care providers throughout the U.S. will no longer be reimbursed for eight reasonably preventable conditions. Pressure ulcers are one of these conditions. To ensure that the incidence of pressure ulcers is reduced, hospitals, nursing homes, and home care providers must assure their nurses and aides are knowledgeable about ways to reduce pressure ulcer risk.

The Academic Edge is ***the only developer of blended, performance-based, constructivist educational solutions*** for the health care industry. AEI's development process brings together top subject matter experts and world-class instructional designers to create innovative learning experiences that deliver behavioral change.

Working with two leading pressure ulcer experts, Dr. Joyce Black at the University of Nebraska and Dr. Ken Olshansky of the Medical College of Virginia, AEI produced a complete, evidence-based learning experience focused specifically on pressure ulcer risk assessment and prevention. This solution includes video, instructor-led training materials, and e-learning courses.

The Training Solution

AEI licenses to customers its ***Every Square Inch: Preventing Pressure Ulcers*** portfolio of training solutions. This portfolio includes:

1. Five copies of the *ESI: Preventing Pressure Ulcers* DVD

Contains over one hour of instruction organized into two modules:

1. Pressure Ulcer Prevention: Causes and Risk Factors
2. Pressure Ulcer Prevention: Techniques and Tools

Give them away to staff (order more at a discount) or permit nurses and aides to check them out to watch at home or in a learning center.

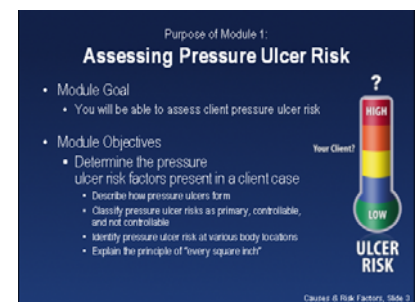
2. Reproducible Instructor-Led Course Materials

Deliver instructor-led training to your organization's nurses and aides. The course has two modules (Assessing Risk Factors and Preventing Pressure Ulcer Risk), each of which can be taught in as little as one hour. The learning experience features motivational activities, video, and four patient cases for learners to analyze. The instructor-led solution includes:

- Facilitators guide – complete instructions for conducting the course.
- PowerPoint slides – visual content for course lectures.
- Videos – similar to the DVD videos above, but edited for brevity.
- Reproducible participant materials – these .pdf documents provide copies of the slides, activity sheets, and a reference guide.
- 20 question test bank – sufficient test questions for assessments.

3. E-Learning Version of *Every Square Inch: Preventing Pressure Ulcers*

This solution enables an organization to deliver the instruction via its intranet or learning management system. This e-learning program delivers approximately two to three hours of instruction (depending upon how many patient cases the learner completes). The e-learning solution includes everything found in the instructor-led course and more, with interactive activities and performance-based patient cases.



ESI Course Content

The learning objectives for the two core modules are as follows:

Module 1: Causes and Risk Factors

Module Goal: Your staff will be able to assess patient pressure ulcer risk

Module Objectives:

- Determine the pressure ulcer risk factors present in a patient case
- Describe how pressure ulcers form
- Classify pressure ulcer risks as primary, controllable, and not controllable
- Identify pressure ulcer risk at various body locations
- Explain the principle of “every square inch”

Module 2: Techniques and Tools

Module Goal: Your staff will be able to take steps to reduce a patient’s pressure ulcer risk

Module Objectives:

- Identify which of the Big 10 patient care principles support specific patient interventions
- From memory, list the “Big 10” pressure ulcer risk reduction principles
- State specific techniques and tools that support each principle

AEI designed these courses with adult learners in mind. These are not topic-based lecture courses. These are performance-based, authentic learning experiences in which learners must apply the skills taught in the course to care for four kinds of patients:



Mr. Ralph Newman
Home Care



Mrs. Ella Helms
Long Term Care



Mr. Terry Lamphere
Hospital Care



Ms. Juanita Alvarez
Spinal Cord Rehab

- Learners must assess the pressure ulcer risk factors associated with these four patients
- Learners must identify which parts of the patients’ bodies are most at risk for pressure ulcers
- Learners must analyze how the Big 10 care principles are integrated into a client care plan

Cost—Very affordable per-person and fixed-price licensing

AEI licenses organizations the complete learning solution portfolio described above for a fixed fee that translates into approximately **\$10** per person, depending on the size of the organization. The term of the license is two years. During the term of the license, your organization receives any updates or enhancements to the course by AEI for free. The terms of the license limit your organization’s distribution of the course materials to your employees.

Next Step—A Free Trial

AEI is happy to provide your organization with a **one week trial** of the Assessing Risk Factors e-learning course. You will then be able to experience this state-of-the-art course from any web-browser. See for yourself how our learning solutions will improve your organization’s training efforts.

For more information and to start your free trial today, contact:

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